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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1733

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For: POLYOLEFIN ARTICLE AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURE THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: August 10, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated April 10, 2001, the period for response being extended from July 10, 2001 until August 10, 2001 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5-8, 11 and 12 as follows:

5. (Amended) A method for manufacture of a polyolefin article comprising:
selecting an oriented polyolefin material having a value of not exceeding 5×10^{-5} (1°C) for average coefficient of linear expansion in the $20 - 80^\circ\text{C}$ range;
depositing a low molecular compound capable of dissolving polyolefin on a surface of the oriented polyolefin material; and
bonding said oriented polyolefin material to a second polyolefin material by the application of pressure and heat, thereby manufacturing a polyolefin article.

6. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein said low-molecular compound is a polymerizable monomer.